

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF
THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY
WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY AND CITY COUNCIL**

SEPTEMBER 27, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rounds called the meetings to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Directors/Councilmembers González, Rios, Trujillo, Vice-Chair/Mayor Pro Tem Moore, and Chair/Mayor Rounds

Also present: Thaddeus McCormack, City Manager; Steven Skolnik, City Attorney; Wayne Morrell, Director of Planning; Noe Negrete, Director of Public Works; Dino Torres, Director of Police Services; Hilary Keith, Director of Library & Cultural Services; Jose Gomez, Director of Finance/Assistant City Manager; Alex Rodriguez, Fire Chief; Teresa Cavallo, Planning Program Assistant

Teresa Cavallo announced that members of the City Council receive \$150 for attendance at the Public Financing Authority and Water Utility Authority meetings.

PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes

- A. Minutes of the August 23, 2012 Regular Public Financing Authority Meeting

Recommendation: That the Public Financing Authority approve the minutes as submitted.

Monthly Reports

- B. Monthly Report on the Status of Debt Instruments Issued through the City of Santa Fe Springs Public Financing Authority (PFA)

Recommendation: That the Public Financing Authority receive and file the report.

Director González moved to approve Items 3A and B; Director Trujillo seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes

- A. Minutes of the August 23, 2012 Regular Water Utility Authority Meeting

Recommendation: That the Water Utility Authority approve the minutes as submitted.

Monthly Report

- B. Update on the Status of the Water-Related Capital Improvement Projects

Recommendation: That the Water Utility Authority receive and file the report.

Director Trujillo moved to approve Items 4A and B; Director González seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

CITY COUNCIL

5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

The City Manager reported that there was an article in the Whittier Daily News regarding Santa Fe Springs resident William Glen Murphy, a Vietnam Veteran who has been trying to retire and collect his Social Security benefits. Mr. Murphy is encountering difficulty proving his citizenship since he was born in England during WWII to an American GI and an English mother. Congresswoman Grace Napolitano's office has been contacted for assistance on this matter.

Mayor Rounds requested to be kept informed on any updates regarding Mr. Murphy's situation.

The City Manager gave an update to Councilmembers regarding AB 1484 Redevelopment Clean-up. A discussion ensued.

The City Manager also thanked Management Assistant Wayne Bergeron for chairing the Super Committee meeting held last month.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes

- A. Minutes of the August 23, 2012 Regular City Council Meeting

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the minutes as submitted.

Councilmember González moved to approve Item 6A; Councilmember Rios seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

7. ORDINANCE FOR PASSAGE

Ordinance No. 1034 – Ordinance Authorizing the Amendment to the City's CalPERS (Pension) Contract

Recommendation: That the City Council waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 1034, authorizing an Amendment to the City's CalPERS (pension) contract.

City Attorney Steve Skolnik read the Ordinance by title.

Councilmember González moved to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 1034; Councilmember Trujillo seconded the motion which passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: González, Rios, Trujillo, Moore, Rounds

Noes: None

8. NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 9390 – Authorize and Grant Designated Period for CalPERS Two Years Additional Service Credit Early Retirement Incentive Program for Safety Employees

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9390 authorizing and granting a designated period for CalPERS Two Years Additional Service Credit early retirement incentive program for safety employees and approve the certification of compliance with Government Code Section 20903.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to adopt Resolution No. 9390; Councilmember Rios seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

9. Resolution No. 9391 – Providing for the Pre-Tax Treatment of Employees Cost-Sharing (Pension) Contributions to CalPERS Under Section 414(H)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9391 providing for the pre-tax treatment of cost-sharing contributions to CalPERS under Section 414(H)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Councilmember González moved to adopt Resolution No. 9391; Councilmember Trujillo seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

10. Award Bid to Wondries Fleet for Three (3) 2013 Ford Police Utility Interceptors

Recommendation: That the City Council award a bid to Wondries Fleet for the purchase of three (3) Ford Police Utility Interceptors and authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order to process the transaction.

Councilmember González inquired about the funding source for the Police Utility Interceptors and the type of vehicles that were being purchased. Director of Police Services Dino Torres responded that the vehicles were funded two years ago and that Ford Explorers were being purchased.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve Item No. 10; Councilmember Rios seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

11. Authorize the Purchase of Grant Funded Fire Equipment from Con-Space Communication, Paratech, and Consolidated Electrical Distributors, Inc.

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the Director of Purchasing to purchase grant funded fire equipment from: 1) L.N. Curtis & Sons in the amount of \$17,805.91; 2) Paratech in the amount of \$85,600.09; and 3) Consolidated Electrical Distributors, Inc. in the amount of \$10,541.83.

Councilmember González thanked Fire Chief Alex Rodriguez for applying for the grant to purchase these items and saving the general fund accounts.

Councilmember González moved to approve Item No. 11; Councilmember Trujillo seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

12. Valley View Avenue Grade Separation Project – Additional Engineering Services

Recommendation: That the City Council take the following actions: 1) Approve an extension of the contract with Wilson & Company, formerly Hanson Wilson, Inc. in the amount of \$296,118 to cover the cost of construction engineering support services for the Valley View Grade Separation Project; and 2) Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute the work order to incorporate these additional services into the contract.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore expressed his concerns with the continuous extensions of the Valley View Avenue Grade Separation payments. Director of Public Works Noe Negrete will look into this matter.

Councilmember Trujillo moved to approve Item No. 12; Councilmember González seconded the motion which passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: González, Rios, Trujillo, Rounds
Abstained: Moore

13. Traffic Engineering Services – Authorization to Issue a Request for Proposals

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the Director of Public Works to issue a Request for Proposals to retain a firm to provide Traffic Engineering Services on an as needed basis.

Councilmember González stated that he has been advocating for 10-12 years for staff to be trained and prepared to take over when staff retires. A discussion ensued.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve Item No. 13; Councilmember Rios seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The Mayor recessed the meetings at 6:31 p.m. for the Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

14. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
(Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9)

Name of Case: City v. Valley View – Santa Fe Springs, et al.
Case No.: BC425701

CLOSED SESSION

15. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
(Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9)

Name of Case: City v. PPF Industrial Valley View, LP
Case No.: BC425669

Mayor Rounds reconvened the meetings at 7:33 p.m.

16. **INVOCATION**

Councilmember González gave the Invocation.

17. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Members of the Youth Leadership Committee led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

18. Representative from the Youth Leadership Committee

Members of the Youth Leadership Committee introduced themselves.

19. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce

Mayor Rounds introduced Lisa Buckingham, Friendly Hills Bank

20. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor called upon Carole Joseph, Director of Parks & Recreation for the community announcements.

PRESENTATIONS

21. Proclamation Declaring the Month of September as "National Senior Center Month" in the City of Santa Fe Springs

The Mayor called upon Eddie Ramirez, Family & Human Services Supervisor, who spoke about the programs available at the Neighborhood Center. Planning Program Assistant Teresa Cavallo read the proclamation which was presented by Mayor Rounds to the Chairperson of the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Gloria Duran. Members of the Committee joined Council for photos.

Ms. Duran thanked the Council and the Neighborhood Center Staff for all their hard work and dedication and expressed that the Senior Citizens are looking forward to the new Gus Velasco Center opening and new activities that will be implemented.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore asked about what plans staff and Gloria were implementing to get public and committee involvement since the committee has been dark for the summer. Gloria Duran indicated that Senior Citizens promote themselves and are very proud of the Gus Velasco Center and indicated that she is working on gathering the Council for Aging for the surrounding areas to visit the new Gus Velasco Center.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSION

22. Committee Appointments

Councilmember González made the following appointments: Frank and Cecilia Leader to the Community Program Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore made the following appointments: Paula Minnehan to the Beautification Committee.

23. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Rounds opened Oral Communications at 7:46 p.m. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Rounds closed Oral Communications at 7:46 p.m.

24. EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS

Director of Public Works Noe Negrete reported that the Water Well #12 improvement project is on schedule and they are continuing to encase down to 1500 feet. They are done sampling and the good news is that the water quality is good.

Mayor Rounds inquired about the status of the Seismic Study. Dino Torres reported that as of Tuesday the study was completed.

Fire Chief Alex Rodriguez invited everyone to the Relay for Life commencing at noon on Friday, September 28, 2012 at Lake Center Park. Alex Rodriguez also reminded everyone that the annual Paramedic Subscriptions are due to expire for this year and enrollment was \$60 for the year. The Fire Chief also reported

that State representatives will be here next Thursday to inspect the Fire Rescue Hazmat Unit to certify for Type I. This is a huge accomplishment for the department since there are only a handful of Type I units throughout the State of California.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore reported that he visited the facility in Whittier that Interfaith Food Distributors are currently located. They intend to relocate to the former Spices location within the City. Mayor Pro Tem Moore also thanked Eddie Ramirez for the Fiesta Patrias and wished Eleanor Connelly who was in the audience a Happy 90th Birthday.

Mayor Rounds invited Eleanor Connelly to the next Council Meeting to be recognized for such a milestone.

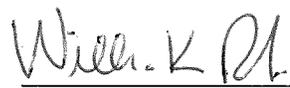
Councilmember Rios commented that Eleanor Connelly was recognized by the Mariachi Divas at Heritage Park and was presented with their CD collection in honor of her 90th Birthday.

Councilmember Trujillo commented that the Mariachi Divas event was such a huge success and hopefully there are more events like that one in the future.

Councilmember González commented that he visited the MERF in Signal Hill and is looking forward to taking the steps to establish a MERF here in the City to bring in revenue.

25. ADJOURNMENTS

Mayor Rounds adjourned the Public Financing Authority and the Water Utility Authority meetings at 7:55 p.m. The City Council meeting was adjourned in memory of Angie Lopez, mother of Anthony "Doc" Lopez; Joseph Garcia, son of retired city employee Felix Garcia; and Jose Zamora, husband of retired city employee and school board member Hilda Zamora.



William K. Rounds, Mayor

ATTEST:



Anita Jimenez, Deputy City Clerk



Date